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GRANDVAL'S URGENT APPEAL

Give Confidence Until Publication Of Govt Scheme

Rabat, Aug. 14.

M. Gilbert Grandval, French Resident-General in Morocco, tonight called on the population of Morocco to give him their confidence until September 12, by which time he said the Government's plan for the protectorate would be published.

M. Grandval, who returned here today after four days in Paris, said in a radio broadcast that, according to Premier Edgar Faure's words, "By September 12 at the latest, the present critical phase in Morocco should be concluded."

Czechs New Production Programme

Prague, Aug. 14.

Czechoslovakia's industrial production will increase 9.7 per cent next year and her agriculture production by 8.3 per cent, according to the State economic plan for 1956, press reports said here today.

Reports quoted the Chairman of the State Planning Office, Mr. Otakar Simunek, as calling especially for increased production in heavy industries.

The Chairman told a conference of economic workers that in spite of present successes, agricultural production was still low. He also urged a "decisive improvement" in the development of investment building where the plan for the first half of this had not been fulfilled.

Productivity

Mr. Simunek declared that to carry out these tasks would need greater productivity and more economic planning.

The following percentage increases over 1955 production were planned for next year in different branches of industry, he said:

Coal: 5.4 per cent, brown coal: 10.7, electric power: 10.5, iron ore: 32.1, crude iron: 11.3, crude steel: 13.1, engineering production: 13 (tractors, agricultural and textile machinery, motorcars), and the chemical industry more than eleven per cent (artificial manure, plastics, fuel oil).

Next year will be the third year of Czechoslovakia's second five-year plan. — China Mail Special.

Gypsies Going To Coronation Of King

Durban, Aug. 14.

In about a year from now all the gypsies in South Africa will leave for the United States, and with them will go South Africa's opportunity of seeing the coronation of their king.

The gypsies have received their passports and visas. In less than two months' time the period of mourning for the late king will end and the coronation can take place. It will not be held in South Africa.

A member of the gypsy royal family who is camped in Welkom, said that there were too few of their people in this country to justify the coronation being held there. — China Mail Special.

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TO-MORROW "THE GATE OF HELL"

The French Resident-General called on the population of Morocco to exercise "self control" during the intervening period. This he said would help him in a "very difficult task" that could not be accomplished "quickly" without a background of "calm and peace."

M. Grandval said that "we are on the way to reaching a solution that will fulfil the desires of the Moroccan people."

He explained that he had to be silent on the French Government's programme, to prevent distortion by "tendentious" interpretations.

Close Contact

The Resident-General said in his broadcast that he intended to keep in "close contact" with "the most representative figures in Moroccan public opinion," between now and September 12. After this date, he said, he would concentrate on other pressing issues such as economic, social and youth problems.

M. Grandval visited the Sultan of Morocco, Sidi Mohammed Ben Arafat this evening and handed him two official letters, one from M. Faure and the other from President Rene Coty. — France-Press.

DENTIST'S BITING PROTEST

Sydney, Aug. 14.

An irate dental surgeon here has mounted 20 bad teeth extracted from the mouth of a country boy for presentation to the New South Wales Education Department as a biting protest against the Department's attitude to outback children and dental care.

The dentist returned from a month's tour of the State's Far West Dental Clinic, which travelled 2,000 miles and visited 10 towns in the north and north-west of the State.

The clinic treated 768 children, extracted 1,088 teeth, and filled 308.

Commented the surgeon, who went along in an honorary capacity—"Outback kids are still getting a raw deal, there is a crying need for a full time dentist to tour small country towns where children can get no attention locally."

He described the teeth of many youngsters he attended as "frightful." — China Mail Special.

SIREN CALL

Melbourne, Aug. 14.

The first of 100 "Hollywood type" sirens have been fitted to police wireless patrol cars here, but with them went a warning from senior police officials that drivers using them "indiscriminately" would be "grounded."

A police spokesman said the sirens would be used only in cases of emergency to assist police cars get through heavy traffic on urgent calls, and to escort ambulances when lives were endangered.

Police cars here were originally fitted with bells as a warning to traffic. — China Mail Special.

Princess Leaves London



Princess Margaret leaves Clarence House in London with the Queen Mother for London Airport to join the Royal Family in Scotland. Princess Margaret will be 25 years of age on August 21. — Express Photo.

Pipeline Destroyed EGYPT CENSURED BY COMMISSION

Jerusalem, Aug. 14.

The Israel-Egyptian Mixed Armistice Commission today censured Egypt for the destruction on June 25 of the main pipeline carrying water from Kisesouf, in the Gaza area, to the Negev area.

The Commission ruled that the act constituted "a violation of the armistice agreement by Egypt," according to a United Nations statement made public here.

According to the Commission's findings, the demolition of the pipe was carried out by a group of three people who crossed the line from the Egyptian-held Gaza strip.

The Commission's Chairman, Lieutenant Colonel Francois Xavier Giacomaggi of France, abstained from voting on another Israeli complaint concerning an incident on July 23, when two hand grenades were thrown into a house in the village of Paltish, about ten miles east of the Egyptian lines. Two civilians were seriously injured by the explosion.

Not Conclusive

Explaining his abstention, the Chairman said "although there is a strong presumption that this act was committed by people coming from an Egyptian-controlled territory, I abstained from voting in the absence of conclusive evidence."

Commenting on the Chairman's abstention, an Israeli Foreign

Ashes For Sabotage

Prague, Aug. 14.

Stefan Varga, a kulak (well-to-do peasant), was caught sowing ashes instead of seed in his fields at Bab, Slovakia.

This was an "original" attempt to sabotage agricultural production, the Czechoslovak Communist party newspaper Rude Pravo reported. — China Mail Special.

QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA

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GERMAN PROPOSALS TO RUSSIA

PAKISTAN
C-in-C in UK

Gen. Ayub Khan

London, Aug. 14. General Ayub Khan, Commander-in-Chief of the Pakistan Army, arrived here by air this afternoon to attend the annual Imperial Staff conference of the Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Field-Marshal Sir John Harding, which will be held later this month at Camberley (Surrey).—France-Press.

'Nuclear Age'

SCIENCE
TEACHERS
IN DEMAND

Paris, Aug. 14. The sudden coming of the "Nuclear Age" will create an "emergency demand" for science teachers in secondary schools throughout the world, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) said today.

It gave this warning in a report published here today which was sent to the Geneva conference on the peaceful uses of atomic energy.

Universities and technical colleges should include theoretical and practical training in radioactivity, but more specialised training, such as that needed to operate reactors, should be given in new training centres to be set up by the nuclear establishments themselves.

UNESCO said one effect of the growth of nuclear power would be to give a great stimulus to scientific education in lower schools.

The organisation would try particularly to expand science teaching in the under-developed countries that had most to gain from nuclear power but whose schools' systems had not yet been directed towards modern science.

"A forced nuclear economy could be dangerously incompatible with an unsound culture," the 12-page report declared.—China Mail Special.

Additional Points
Suggested For
Moscow Agenda

DIPLOMATIC NOTE

Bonn, Aug. 15.

West Germany proposed that Dr Konrad Adenauer's conversations with Russian leaders in Moscow should begin "about September 9" in a note published here today.

The note, handed over to the Soviet Ambassador in Paris, Mr Sergei Vinogradov, on August 12, proposed that beyond the subjects proposed for discussion by the Russians, topics in Moscow should include "the united Germany as a state," and the release of Germans held in the Soviet Union and the Soviet sphere.

The note said in full: "The (West German) Federal Government acknowledges the receipt of the Soviet Government's note of August 3, 1955, expressing the Soviet Government's wish to carry out the proposed negotiations between governmental delegations from the Soviet Union and the Federal Republic of Germany in Moscow at the end of August or beginning of September.

Agreement

"The Federal Government wants to fall in with this wish. Since the trip requires certain preparations in Bonn, which are made difficult by the parliamentary holiday during August, the Federal Government proposes for the start of the negotiations in Moscow a date about September 9.

"The Federal Government has already, in its note of June 30, 1955, expressed its agreement with the Soviet proposal of June 7, 1955, to examine the question of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries and the questions related thereto.

"In view of the fact that the Soviet Government, in its note of August, 1955, has suggested also to examine the question of the exchange of documents for the establishment of diplomatic relations, the conclusion of a commercial treaty and the conclusion of a cultural treaty, the Federal Government declares itself agreed that in the course of the negotiations ways and means are discussed which appear appropriate to prepare the exchange of such documents and the conclusion of appropriate agreements in the above-mentioned spheres.

"The Federal Government is of the opinion that a discussion of the opening of diplomatic, commercial and cultural relations makes necessary the dis-

cussion of other questions related politically to the questions named by the Soviet Government and which can, in particular, not be separated from the question of the taking up of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

"This belongs to the question of the unity of Germany as a state, on the solution of which depends the creation of a system to guarantee European security.

"Furthermore there belongs to this the question of the release of those Germans, who are still detained within the territory of the Soviet Union, or are otherwise prevented from leaving this area.

"A quick solution of this question is awaited with longing by the entire German people and is considered by it as an indispensable element of the normalisation of its relations to the Soviet Union.

Frank Discussion

"The Federal Government is convinced that a satisfactory solution of the question advanced by the Soviet Government requires a frank discussion and an understanding of the two governments about the above-mentioned related problems."

Government circles said the German request for discussions on re-unification and the release of prisoners did not amount to a "precondition" such as the Russians have refused to accept. The note had merely taken up the original Russian proposal that questions related to the establishment of relations be put on the agenda.

Observers recalled, however, that since first asking Adenauer to Moscow, Russia had made clear at the Geneva "summit" conference its belief that a European security system took precedence over German re-unification.

The Russians took the line that re-unification must come about as the result of agreement between West Germany and the Communist rulers of East Germany.—Reuter.

Czechs Ready
To Be
Friendly

Vienna, Aug. 14.

Prague radio replying to Marshal Tito's recent speech attacking the Czech and Hungarian rulers for lack of friendship to Yugoslavia, said tonight that Czechoslovakia was ready to take measures to improve relations.

The Czech Government had welcomed the Russian leaders' visit to Belgrade in May and the decision taken at Bucharest with the East European leaders to improve relations with Yugoslavia, the radio said.

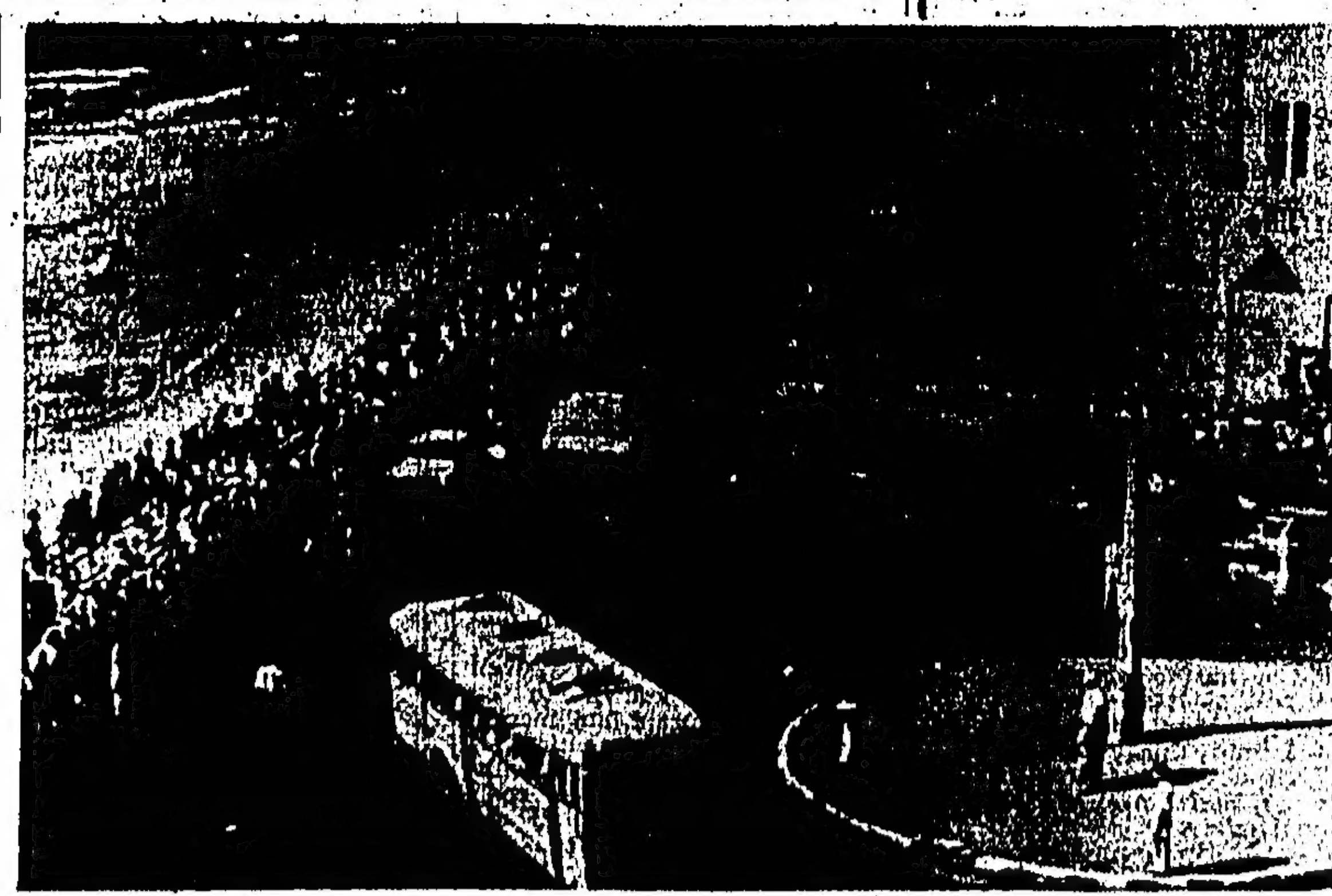
To this end, the Government planned a great campaign when party members would tour Czechoslovakia to explain recent developments in Yugoslavia. The Czechoslovak people were impressed by reports that "the material on which serious accusations against the Yugoslav leaders in 1947 were based was false and that its authors were unmasked as imperialist agents," the radio declared.—Reuter.

BANK REFUSED
LICENCE

New Delhi, Aug. 14.

The Reserve Bank of India yesterday refused to license the British India Banking Corporation to do business in India.

The refusal means that the Corporation's Indian branch, which has been operating since 1947, will have to close its doors.



AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS...

Paper Rationing
Ends March

London, Aug. 14.

Government control over the number of pages Britain's newspapers may publish is to end in March after 15 years of rationing.

Announcing this today, the Board of Trade said users of newsprint will, in effect, be allowed to import all the newsprint which at present seems likely to be available.

COW SHOES

Adelaide, Aug. 14.

To Frank Coonan, blacksmith at Bordertown, about 180 miles southeast of Adelaide, farmer D. R. Milne took a valuable cow whose hooves were spreading in wet ground.

Coonan placed the cow in a crush-pen and shod it.

The cow is reported to have "taken to" its new footwear.—China Mail Special.

Inter-Arab Pact

Not Signed

NASSER
BLAMES
SYRIA

Damascus, Aug. 14.

Egyptian Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser, in an interview published in the Syrian newspaper Al Fajha, said today that Syria was responsible for the delay in the signature of an inter-Arab pact between Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria.

Col. Nasser asked why signature of the pact was being delayed, said: "I am ready at any time to sign the three-power inter-Arab alliance." But he said that the Syrian Government "diminished the value of this alliance."

Col. Nasser added: "Syria, which taught Arabism and was the promoter of Arab Union, today takes another attitude. I prefer not to bring up this subject, for it hurts me as it hurts all Arabs."

"Believe me, I do not know where the alliance stands now or what its fate will be. At any rate, this question now depends upon Syria, and only upon Syria."—France-Press.

PHONES OUT
IN FLEET ST

London, Aug. 14.

Heavy rain caused a cable fault which put about 750 telephone lines in the Fleet Street area—London's newspaper centre—out of action for almost 15 hours today.—China Mail Special.

SCHOLAR PROVES A POINT

Calcutta, Aug. 14. Swami Sankarananda, a Sanskrit scholar from the Indian University of Visva Bharati, announced today that he has deciphered inscriptions from the 32nd century B.C. proving that an Aryan civilisation here was already Indian and not brought from Mesopotamia.

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peoples who lived from 3250 until 2750 before Christ, Sankarananda asserted that the inscriptions were in Prakrit, a colloquial form of Sanskrit.

Thus, he reasoned, the Aryans from the ancient city of Mohenjodaro (now part of the Pakistani Province of West Punjab) were indigenous peoples and not as archaeologists have believed, Aryan invaders who attacked and

Air Victims'
Funeral

Part of the long procession of relatives and officials pass along the seaford at Tel-Aviv on its way to the Herta Shaul Cemetery for the burial of the 55 victims of the Israeli Constellation airliner which was shot-down near the Greek-Bulgarian border. As only three of the fifty eight victims had been identified, all the bodies were buried in one grave.—Express Photo.

PI—Russia
Relations
Possible

Moscow, Aug. 14.

Mr. Ernesto Del Rosario, Editor of the Manila Chronicle, now visiting Moscow unofficially as the guest of Tass news agency, hinted today that the Philippines may soon establish diplomatic and trade relations with the USSR.

He was planning to call on the Soviet Foreign Ministry Thursday when the Soviets may officially broach the subject of recognition, he said. "It does not seem to me that there is any reason not to have relations with the Soviet Union," he observed.

There has been almost no contact between the two countries since Philippine independence in 1946, and Mr. Del Rosario was the first of his countrymen to be given the red-carpet treatment by the Soviet authorities.

Expected supplies next year amount to only 530,000 tons, he wrote, nearly 200,000 tons less than the power supply and barely sufficient at the present level of sales to allow for ten-page national newspapers.

Lord Rothermere and Lord Layton, Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the company, wrote to the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Peter Thorneycroft, on July 27 that a plan to replace Government controls by voluntary arrangements broke down "as one of our members refused to accept voluntary restriction on paging, which was an essential feature of the plan."

The Board of Trade announcement said that special arrangements have been made to cover the size of newspaper until the end of rationing.

Under these arrangements, large three-half-penny daily papers will be limited to an average of nine pages every day. Smaller daily papers will be able to publish 18 pages.

The six-month period until rationing ends is needed for re-adjustment and to provide for "those newspapers whose individual requirements are relatively small," the Board of Trade said.—China Mail Special.

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'ATOMS-for-PEACE'

Scientists Relax
At Geneva

Geneva, Aug. 14.

Nearly 1,500 delegates, interpreters, secretaries, stenographers, receptionists and messengers from 72 nations joined in the holiday spirit round Lake Geneva today before resuming the "atoms-for-peace" conference at the Palace of Nations tomorrow.

But an unlucky few put in a full working day preparing and distributing tons of documents for the second and final week of the United Nations sponsored conference on the peaceful uses of atomic energy.

During the coming week, the conference is expected to highlight as it did last week the fact that the three major atomic powers, Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union, have progressed independently on remarkably parallel lines to the same knowledge of atomic power in industry, agriculture and medical science.

Leading nuclear scientists from East and West will discuss exchange information in their respective fields for something like 56 hours—six hours a day—this week.

Sessions on highly technical and specialised subjects will be held continuously in the conference rooms of the palace with special film shows on atomic subjects.

The first week was marked by a number of parties given in sessions by the different delegations and more are expected this week when scientists will be able to relax and exchange personal experiences of their work in the atomic laboratories of their own countries.

Britain, which has already given one party for delegates, plans another later this week when her leading engineering concerns keen to obtain firm orders for atomic power plants, plan a party for delegates, industrialists and business firms from all participating nations.

Roman Catholic Bishop Francois Charrier of Lausanne, Geneva and Fribourg tonight celebrated pontifical mass to ask divine protection for the conference.

Many delegate scientists were among a large congregation in the Basilica of Notre Dame.

Father Henri de Riedmatten, Ecclesiastical Assistant to the information centre for Catholic international organisations in Geneva, preached the sermon.—Reuter.

At the same time, major industrial concerns from Britain, the United States and seven other countries, including the tiny European principality of Liechtenstein, will be practising their salesmanship at the "atomic trade fair" in the city centre preparing for the battle for the world's atomic market which is expected to be in full swing within the next five years.

The industrial power plants of the future, extracting the titanic energy locked up in the atomic raw materials of uranium, thorium and plutonium and with it producing electricity and steam, will be previewed tomorrow at one session at which Professor Eugene P. Wigner of America's Princeton University, will preside.

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PITCAIRN
GETS
LIT UP

Wellington, Aug. 14.

Electric power has come to Pitcairn Island, lonely home of the descendants of the Bounty mutineers.

During the war, two diesel generators for a radio station were brought to the island and hauled to its highest point by tractor.

Recently the islanders, who now number 100, decided to make use of one of the machines, which have been lying idle for a long time.

All available manpower was mustered. With the help of wheelbarrows and sledges, the heavy motor was brought down the 900-foot hill to the island's only settlement of Adamstown.

Unfortunately some of the parts were missing, so the minister, Pastor N.A. Ferris, was ferried out to a visiting ship and a sympathetic captain allowed them to be manufactured in the engine room.

Now the island has electric lighting at the landing place at Bounty Bay, through the main street to the village and in the church and other buildings.—China Mail Special.

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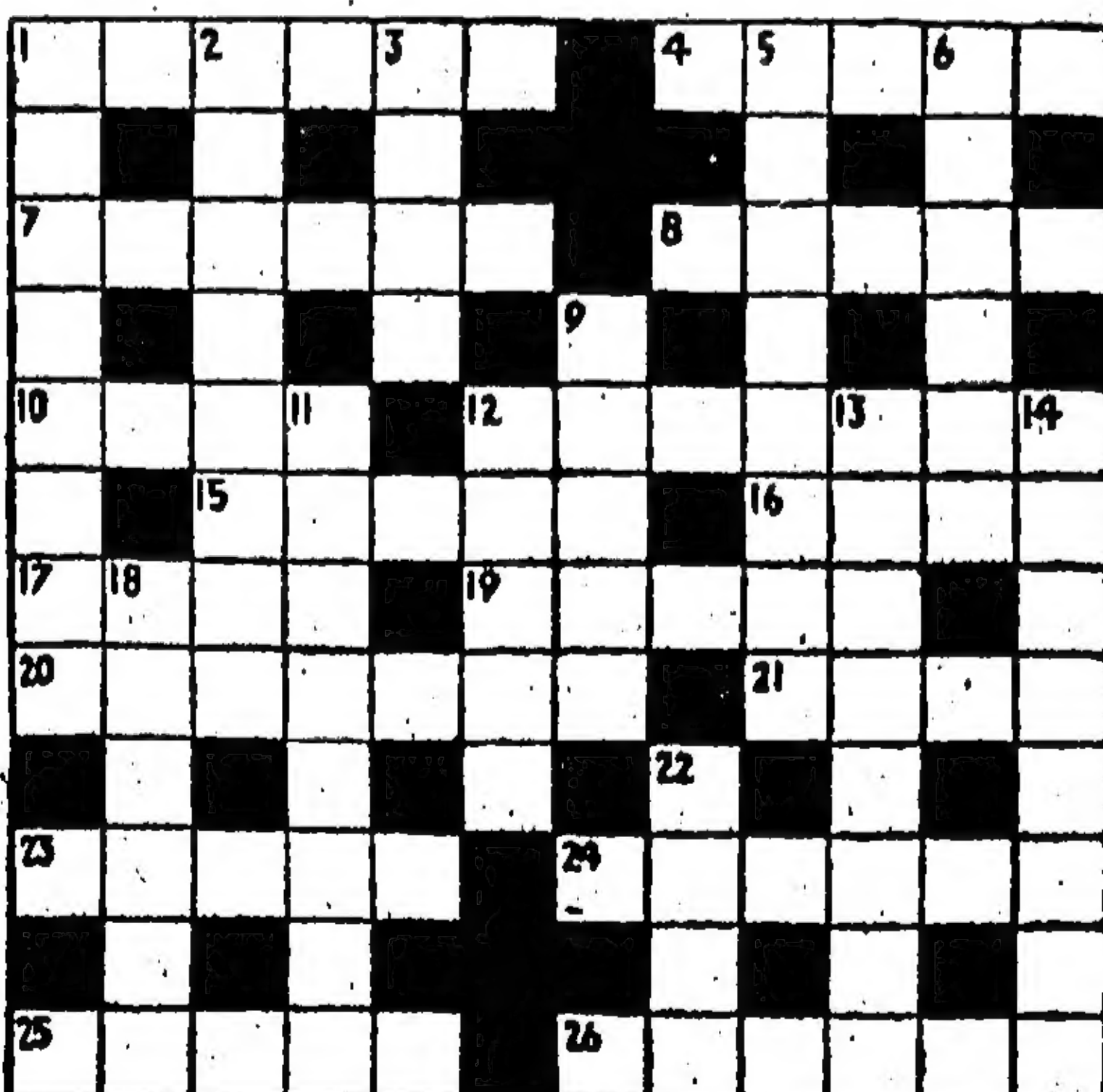
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A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Firearm (6).
- 4 Twines (5).
- 8 Sharp (5).
- 10 Converse (4).
- 12 Scolds (7).
- 15 Tramp (5).
- 16 Repose (4).
- 17 Wild plum (4).
- 19 Bird (3).
- 20 Legislator (7).
- 21 Clever (4).
- 23 Carp (5).
- 24 Respectable (6).
- 25 Margin (5).
- 26 Spoken (6).

DOWN

- 1 Royal Lady (8).
- 2 Kind of furniture (8).
- 3 Lubricates (4).
- 5 Asserted (4).
- 6 Taxes (6).
- 9 Tree (5).
- 11 Negotiating (8).
- 12 Nobleman (5).
- 13 Apartment house (8).
- 14 Laws (6).
- 18 Ambassador (6).
- 22 Fruit (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Emerald, 6 Emerald, 9 Salsified, 11 Marauder, 12 Code, 15 Deputy, 18 Deputy, 19 Bird, 22 Dastardly, 24 Cardinal, 25 Lesson, 26 Elements. Down: 1 Deems, 2 Smart, 3 Ensured, 4 Mead, 5 Root, 6 Letter, 7 Sudden, 10 Legal, 14 Begun, 15 Rattles, 16 Rescue, 17 Scarce, 20 Prize, 21 Using, 23 Dico, 25 Salt.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

First Lead Didn't Surprise Anyone

By OSWALD JACOBY

THE bidding of today's hand practically screamed for a diamond opening lead, so nobody was surprised when West opened the seven of diamonds. Any other lead would have given South time to look out the ace of hearts and thus develop his nine tricks in comfort.

It wasn't enough, however, for West to make the right opening lead. It was still necessary for East to come through with the correct deceptive play.

East was sure that South had the king of diamonds. If East put up the ace of diamonds at the first trick, South would then refuse to take the king of diamonds at the second trick. South would take the third round of diamonds and would then knock



"While the others are out for their coffee, Watkins, I'd like you to stick around to move out some desks we won't need any more...."

TARGET

UTL
CTE
AFU

once only. Each word must contain the large letter in the center square, and there must be at least one nine-letter word in the list. No plurals, no foreign words, no proper names.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, AUGUST 15

BORN today, you are a "born genius". But, you must also realize that genius has to be cultivated to develop to its fullest extent. Neglected, it can be quite worthless. Your interests are so diversified that you must, at an early age, concentrate on some single objective if you are to reach the heights. Watch carefully for all opportunities and grasp each one, instantly.

You have a great deal of physical endurance. Much of this is nervous energy and you must guard against depleting it. Watch your diet and let down tensions at regular intervals. Also, get plenty of sleep. It is likely that you are fond of music and may play some instrument, yourself. Travel appeals to you and you may

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—This can be a fine vacation weather and an auspicious time for you to take one if you can.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—You may find that some co-operative effort is the shortest cut to a lasting success.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—This can be a fine day for shopping, but be sure that all "bargains" have real value.

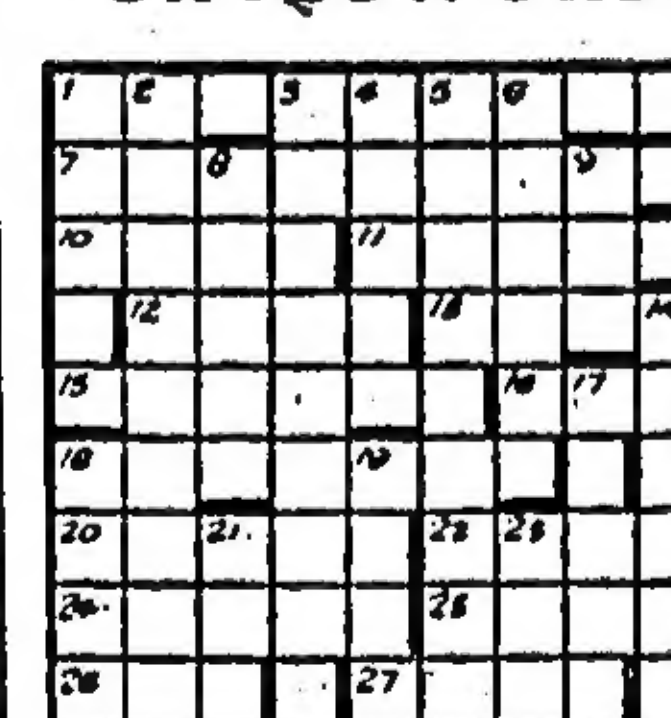
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—By helping someone else, you could very easily forget your own troubles. Try it and see!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—A pleasant and unexpected surprise could happen, yet don't anticipate it too much.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If something looks like too good a "bargain"—maybe it is! Be sure of the quality, at any price.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—A chance acquaintance, made

CROSSWORD



Across
1. Favorite (9)
2. Language of everyday (15)
3. Reverse your door (4)
4. Employed (4)
5. Old one is thing of painters (9)
6. Girl from the bridal day (9)
7. In gets involved with the arts (9)
8. Aesop's tales had this effect (15)
9. Man of Ark (6)
10. Make happy (8)
11. Take it when you cross roads (4)
12. Describe poisons, a river—or a collar (8)
13. Definitely, a bite from the middle (4)
14. Down
1. It always warmed for Pearl White (5)
2. It's a lumpy business (9)
3. It's a job to do this (9)
4. Saint of Fleet Street (6)
5. It's just one of a lot in a cake (6)
6. As things get this you may go up (5)
7. This in a you may follow (5)
8. Popes often are (6)
9. Pops and Rooks are (6)
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How eminently deserving of reproach!

Minnie replies
Dear Mr. Suet,
The public soon forgets its idols, but, apart from that, I think it is one's duty to give of one's best. As a gasworks Fairy Princess I shall merely point my wand as a signal for it to be flooded—surely not a very vulgar gesture, nor one that can expose me to degradation. Publicity for a gasworks is all part of civic consciousness, and there is no question of my flying about on wires or anything tasteless like that. I shall, of course, have to wear wings, to suggest the fairyland note, but I trust my own dignity and sense of the fitness of things to discourage any undue familiarity on the part of the public. I value your friendship, but I must do what I think right.

Yours sincerely,
Minnie Stopcorner.

Moo
For a foreign diplomat entered a house, walked upstairs, fell through the floor into a room below, and turned on a tap while struggling to his feet. He would, of course, claim diplomatic privilege. A cow performed these feats, the other day, and the law had to admit that it could do nothing about it. It was held that "such a thing was unheard of" and was a possibility of which no reasonable man could take account.

WOMANSENSE

Tweed For Autumn-Winter Evenings



FROM the recent autumn-winter collections in London comes an important new idea that you can follow! Emu has drawn these dresses in tweed, once the homelike fabric, but now festive and delectable material for any informal evening occasion.

The girl on the left wears a Polly Peck two-piece dress in charcoal white-tweed.

The girl in the center wears a Bazaar small grey tweed dress and jacket checked with antelope and silver thread. The sleeveless dress underneath the jacket has a deep V neckline.

The girl at the table has a shell-pink Frank Underwood dress in wool tweed interwoven with silver thread. With it goes a black and white jacket fitting over the hips. All three reflect the newest Empire influence. They are adaptable and easy to wear.

Interior Decorator Lists Do's And Don'ts For Amateurs

New York. A WOMAN should choose colors for her house the same way she does for her wardrobe.

This advice comes from John Abbate, a New York interior designer and color expert, who says that selecting color schemes is the number one decorating problem among amateurs.

"Women for some reason are scared of color," said Abbate. "Many a woman who has excellent color sense in dress is lost when planning her home."

He cites as an example the red-haired woman who wears pink but "wouldn't think of having pink walls in her living room."

"Of course," Abbate added, "the color of your favorite dress might not work out as the foundation of a color scheme, because color is intensified by the time it's applied to a room."

"But start with a basic color which flatters you—and then refine it to its proper intensity."

Abbate, an architect also, listed some "do's" and "don'ts" for planning color schemes. Do vary wall colors. The same shade on four walls makes

an open space into a closet. Abbate. Use your most flattering background color on two or three walls, with the second tone or wallpaper on the rest.

Do choose a floor covering complementary to the wall color.

Do conceal any architectural defect or other unpleasant feature of a room by using bold colors to draw the eyes elsewhere. A brilliant rug will counteract a too-high ceiling or a color makes a wall appear to recede; a bold color draws it in.

Some of the designer's "don'ts":

Don't combine bold patterns. One is enough in paper, draperies, carpet or upholstery.

Don't select a wallpaper for its "cuteness." "Obvious decoration is for display," said Abbate. "Not to live with. An extreme pattern does not wear well."

Don't overlook the effect of light on color. Abbate said that lamps should work with color to accent areas of particular interest, and give drama to the room as a whole with the play of light and shadow. United Press.

Another Paris Designer Shows His Collection

Paris. FASHION designer Jacques Griffe entered the annual Paris fashion battle in the wake of Czar Christian Dior with a collection which featured buttons, bows and high bosoms. But the bosoms weren't quite as high as those shown by Dior.

The controversy over Dior's new "Y" line still was reverberating in the press of Europe when Griffe unveiled his ideas of what women should look like for the 1956 winter season.

ROWS OF BUTTONS

He was one of the last of the Paris fashion designers to show his new collection.

Griffe placed himself somewhere between the high bosoms and tight corsets decreed by Dior and the shapeless look of Hubert de Givenchy. His silhouette followed the feminine curves—broader shoulders topped by high bust, dropping to easy waist lines and slim hips. Buttons in double and simple rows marched across the bosoms, around the skirts, up shoulders and down suits. They often narrowed to a "V" to accentuate the suit line.

Light buttons decorated dark suits—apricot buttons on a dark brown suit. Huge gold buttons appeared on beige and wheat colored tweed.

Perky string bows—trimmed afternoon dress pockets while big bows drew together bare-backed evening gowns.

A SERIES OF THREE

Griffe played with detail, always done in series of three: three pockets in staggered levels trimmed with suit, peplums, or the length of a tunic.

His flared black cape and two-tiered skirt gave the effect of a pagoda. These came apart to make three effects. Sheath dresses came fanned in three levels and tall gowns in hank levels.

Tunics, mostly flared in varying lengths with matching skirts, and sheath coats of day-time wear. Puffy belted skirts danced through the evening.

Griffe's colors ran mostly to browns, bronzes and claret tones or combinations of black and white. Highlight of his collection was a white child's pyjama gown which swathed the body in turban draper. United Press.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Some Strange Doings

—Ducks Try Flying and Robins Get in the Swim—

By MAX TRELL

OLD Mr. Grump, the Bull Frog, "he just sounds grumpy!" "This story I'm about to tell you really happened. In fact, it really happened just about ten minutes ago."

Saying this, Mr. Grump reached towards his vest to look at his big watch with the heavy gold chain. Unfortunately, he had forgotten to wind the watch so it only told him yesterday's time. He shook his head and put the watch back in his vest pocket without saying anything.

"Just sit yourselves down on that nice soft cushion," old Grump said, pointing to a tuft of moss.

Knarf and Hanid said thank you and sat themselves down. It really felt like a nice soft cushion.

"Well, now," began old Mr. Grump. "He really isn't an old Grump at all," Hanid thought to herself, as she looked at the

story has to do with a duck named Mrs. Quackenbush early this morning. Both of them were out with their brood of children, Mrs. Rosie Robin with her Robinettes and Mrs. Quackenbush with her Ducklings. So they got to talking. Mrs. Quackenbush said she was coming down to the pond to teach her brood to swim.

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"Very good," nodded Old Grump, "that'll make you enjoy the story all the more. What happened was this: Mrs. Rosie Robin met Mrs. Quackenbush early this morning. Both of them were out with their brood of children, Mrs. Rosie Robin with her Robinettes and Mrs. Quackenbush with her Ducklings. So they got to talking. Mrs. Quackenbush said she was coming down to the pond to teach her brood to swim.

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"And did Mrs. Rosie Robin and Mrs. Quackenbush make the deal?" Knarf asked.

"They did indeed," said Old Grump, "and a worse deal was never made between a Robin and a Duck!"

Knarf and Hanid both asked why.

"Because," said Old Grump, "Mrs. Quackenbush couldn't make the Robinettes put their feet in more than half an inch of pond water, and Mrs. Rosie Robin couldn't make the Ducklings fly further than you can throw an Elm Tree."

"Robins don't like deep water to take a bath in," Hanid said.

"Correct, my girl," said Mr. Grump.

"And Ducks don't fly," said Knarf.

"Only Wild Ducks do," said Mr. Grump. "Well, that's the story. And if all happened just ten minutes ago."

Rupert & the Distant Music—37



When all is said and done, Rupert the small piggy bank, who lives in the larger piggy bank and sees off on the way, walks back humming cheerfully to himself. The unhappy group outside the hillside first coming said it was a pity. Look, Rupert's business was done!

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FIGHT THIS LAST TEST TO THE FINISH—EVEN IF IT TAKES NINE DAYS TO DO IT

Says DENIS COMPTON

Whatever happens in the last Test at the Oval, which started on Saturday, I hope playing conditions will be fair to both sides and that victory goes to one team or the other. I shall be sorry if the deciding game in such an intriguing series ends in a draw.

For that reason I am disappointed that no provision has been made for an extra day at the Oval. I do not favour longer Test matches—I think 30 hours are ample, provided the weather does not intervene—yet the weather was so kind in the first four Tests that the odds of it breaking in the fifth must be greater.

Therefore I would recommend that extra time be set aside as a safety-valve to be used in case of rain.

The Test is due to finish on a Thursday, when county games will be in progress, so that extension into the Friday would be a simple matter.

Yet I would go so far as to suggest that, if a serious breakdown occurred in the weather, another series of county games should be crunched upon, leaving nine whole playing days free for the Test.

The stipulation, of course, would have to be that no more than 30 playing hours were taken up.

By extending the Oval Test into a third round of county matches, the counties would be deprived of the expected services of their leading players.

Yorkshire and Surrey, engaged in a thrilling tussle for the Championship, might be affected. And the Hampshire fixture against the South Africans, due to begin at Southampton on August 20, would have to be rearranged for another date at the end of the season.

COULD BE OVERCOME

All these are snags, I know. I believe they could all be overcome.

Surely the object should be to bring about a result to a match which would then produce a 3-2 winning margin to one side or the other for the first time in the history of Test cricket in this country.

Cricket League Meeting

The annual meeting of the Cricket League will be held at the Hongkong Cricket Club on Friday, August 19, at 5.30 p.m.

Giants Clinch The 1955 Baseball League Pennant

Powerful Giants shellacked the Overseas Blues 22-2 yesterday at King's Park to clinch the second postwar Baseball League Pennant behind Cuscut Souza's no hit pitching.

The game was decided right from the beginning as the Giants bagged eleven runs in the first inning through five hits and six free tickets issued by the opposing hurler.

Overseas Blues opened the score by P. H. Lee through a fielding error. However, the Giants just went wild on their turn. Eddie Loureiro first got on the base through a miscue and Tony Gutierrez slammed out a solid triple to start the runs.

Bull Dhabher walked and Vic Pedruco's timely double sent both Gutierrez and Dhabher across the plate.

Jonquin Colaco walked, but was forced out on second when Jack Brown grounded toward the shortstop. Dicky Chaves also doubled and put both Pedruco and Brown across. Igar Ericksen was passed and a passball advanced them one base further.

GRAND SLAM HOMER
Cuscut Souza's safety drove in Dicky Chaves and Eddie Loureiro was passed to load the bases. Tony Gutierrez was given a free ticket and Ericksen walked in. Then Bull Dhabher connected a grand slam homer to clean up the bases.

Giants still kept up the slaughter during the second when Cuscut Souza and Eddie Loureiro each singled to score one run and Vic Pedruco doubled to produce two more.

REVISED SCHEDULE

The revised Summer Softball League second round schedule is as follows:

Aug. 15—Philippines	vs. South China "B"
Aug. 16—South China "A"	vs. Pandas
Aug. 17—Jaguars	vs. Philippines
Aug. 18—South China "B"	vs. U.S. Navy
Aug. 19—Jaguars	vs. Pandas
Aug. 20—Jaguars	vs. South China "A"
Aug. 21—South China "B"	vs. Philippines
Aug. 22—U.S. Navy	vs. Pandas
Aug. 23—South China "A"	vs. South China "B"
Aug. 24—Jaguars	vs. U.S. Navy
Sept. 1—Pandas	vs. Philippines
Sept. 2—Pandas	vs. South China "A"
Sept. 3—Pandas	vs. Jaguars
Sept. 4—South China "B"	vs. South China "A"
Sept. 5—Philippines	vs. U.S. Navy
Sept. 6—Pandas	vs. U.S. Navy

Boros Shakes Off The Money Jitters On The Last Nine Holes

Chicago, Aug. 14.

Julius Boros, shaking off the money jitters on the last nine holes, came from behind with a two under par 70 today to win the Tam O'Shanter "World" Championship and a cash prize of \$50,000 for the second time in four years with a 72-hole total of 281, seven under par.

The victory, which also carries a contract for 55 exhibitions at \$1,000 each, elevated him to first place in golf's money winners for 1955 with \$61,971.55 and virtually assured him the earnings crown for the season.

Boros began his last round in fourth place, two strokes behind Bo Wininger, and one behind Gene Littler and Wally Ulich. But while this trio stumbled before the pressure and the close-packed galleries, Boros played steadily all the way.

Wininger went out of contention on the sixth when he drove out of bounds and took a seven.

Littler continued to set the pace until the 13th hole.

There Boros moved in front to stay, knocking in a 35-foot putt for a birdie while Littler missed a six-foot putt to take a bogie. Boros played the next three holes in par and birdied the 17th with a nine-foot putt to clinch the triumph.

Littler finished with a 74 to post a total of 284 and share

One Notes With Some Relief That Douglas Ford Plays Golf At An "Abnormal Pace"

Says HENRY LONGHURST

London.

I note with some relief that the new Match Play Champion of the United States, Douglas Ford, plays golf at what his fellow-citizens must now consider an abnormal pace.

It is too much to hope that all will take a leaf from his book, but his example may perhaps have some small influence on the creeping paralysis which has overtaken the game in that country and seems rapidly to be overtaking it in this.

In the semi-finals Ford played Shelley Mayfield and beat him over 33 holes in 5hr. 10min. Dr. Corry Middlecott, "dwindling along like a member of the cardiac foursome," beat Tommy Bolt over the same distance in 6hr. 55min.

By a series of fractions and cancellations, one of the Lower Fourth I make Ford to have been playing at the rate of 2hr. 48min. per

18 holes and Middlecott at 3hr. 48min.

The latter thus qualifies, at the minute, as the Dr. Adenauer of golf—an appellation so splendid that I am sorely tempted to claim it as my own, instead of passing the credit where I believe it belongs, namely to Leonard Crawley.

Waiting in the locker room for the other match to finish an hour and three quarters later Ford observed "If it's Middlecott, I'm liable to finish tomorrow before he rounds nine. Maybe I ought to bring my trailer over so I can sleep between shots."

NOTABLE SUPPORTER

The cult of faster play has another notable supporter in the States in the person of none other than the President, whose addition to golf has given such a fillip to the game, as doubtless will the Duke of Edinburgh's—if it is not too much to pun as rightful as it was unintentional—when in the fulfilment of time he gives up nasty rough sports like cricket and polo.

The President, I read, averages two and a half hours, and anything from 85 to 90 shots, round the Burning Tree Club at Washington.

The first full impact of the torrid golf now deemed orthodox in America struck us in the final of the 1950 Amateur Championship at St. Andrews, when Stranahan and Chapman, with all spectators roped clear and the course to themselves, took 3hr. 42min. for 18 holes, each being round in about 77.

Two years previously, as told by a correspondent who refereed the match, the finalists in the Women's South-Western Counties Championship at St. Enodoc took three minutes longer than this. They had, however, played two rounds in that time, not one. The first took 1hr. 50min., and the second 1hr. 55min.

The winner scored 80 in the morning and 83 in the afternoon, and "neither of the competitors," my informant adds, a little ungalantly perhaps, "was young."

In the old days courses were shorter, methods were simpler, and the rewards at stake undoubtedly not so great. Nevertheless the difference is startling.

Sandwich in 1904 measured 6,157 yards—perhaps 700 shorter than today. When Walter Travis won his first-round match in the Championship against Mr. H. Holden, of Royal Liverpool, at the 15th, they had taken 1 hr. 50 min.

Writing on account some years later, Travis complained how he had been soaked during the match and had no time to change his clothes, as his second-round match was due out at 2.25.

Now the match against Mr. Holden had started at 12.0. The Championship Committee of those days, therefore, reckoned two and a half hours—the time it took Stranahan and Chapman to play 12 holes—adequate for 18 holes, extra holes if needed, and lunch!

There have been few greater players of golf than Gene Sarazen, when I am playing fast, I remember his saying to me once, "I don't know what

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Springboks Drop Five Players From Team To Meet British Isles

Capetown, Aug. 14.

Jack van der Shoff, Springboks fullback who kicked ten of his sides points in their defeat in the First Test, is among five players dropped by South Africa from the team to meet the British Isles in the second Rugby Test here on Saturday next.

The others omitted are left-winger Silas Swart, Olin Kroon (hooker), Amos Du Plooy (front-row forward), and Basie van Wyk (lock forward).

A position change has also been made. Karol van Vollenhoven, who kicked three-quarters to the left wing.

Van der Shoff, one of the greatest place kickers in Rugby today, gives way to Roy Dryburgh, a versatile Western Province player.

Jaap Bekker, who toured the British Isles and France with the 1951/52 Springboks, takes over from Du Plooy in the front-row, and Albertus van der Merwe replaces Droom as hooker.

SOUTH AFRICA TRIAL
Van der Merwe played in recent South Africa trial matches and distinguished himself with Boland against British Isles yesterday.

Dawie Ackermann, of Stellenbosch, a fast powerful scrum-half, fills the lock position vacated by Van Wyk.

The other newcomer to the backline beside Dryburgh is Bill Rosenberg.

The Springbok team has big potentialities, particularly at forward. But it remains to be seen whether the three-quarters Des Sinclair and Rosenberg can improve on first Test performances.

Team: R. Dryburgh, K. van Vollenhoven, D. Sinclair, W. Rosenberg, T. Briers, C. Ulyate, T. Gentles, C. Koch, A. van der Merwe, J. Bekker, S. F. (Captain), J. Du Rand (Vice Captain), J. Claassen, D. Ackermann, D. Retief.—Reuter.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Management Committee Meeting of HKFA.

Annual Meeting of Hongkong Hockey Association, Murray Parade Ground, 11.30.

TOMORROW

Deepwater Bay Golf.

WEDNESDAY

Water-polo Knockout competition semi-finals: Fortuna v Chinese "Y", Army v Eastern.

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SPORTS ROUND-UP

Tennis Is The Ideal Summer Game For Any Professional Footballer

Harry Hooper, West Ham's England "B" soccer international, has found the perfect summer game for footballers. It is lawn tennis. "Tennis," he says, "is the ideal summer game for any professional footballer."

"I enjoy cricket, but tennis is the tops for keeping you in peak condition. I joined a local tennis club at the end of season and when I came back to football last week I found I started faster and fitter than at any other time in my career."

"I'm match fit already, after only one week's training." As Hooper, an outside right and understudy to Stanley Matthews for England, was last season the fastest man in English football, fans are wondering just what speed he will get up to now.

Chris Chataway, once again World Three-Mile Champion, looks forward "with great pleasure" to running against the new World 1,600 Metres Champion, Hungary's Sandor Iharos at London's White City on August 12.

This meeting of Champions will be the meeting of "magic" mile distance.

Says Chataway: "If Iharos is going out for a mile record, and takes the lead that may mean a repeat of the race I had against John Landy at Turku (Finland) when he set up the present world record of 3min. 55sec."

FORMER CHAMPION

Jako Tull, former British and Empire Flyweight Champion, now bids for Empire Bantamweight honours. On September 14 he meets Scotland's Peter

Kecman in Glasgow for his Empire Bantam title. A Tull victory and the South African will challenge World Champion Robert Cohen, of France.

Joe Mercer, former Arsenal and England captain, has completed a Football Association coaching course and is now preparing Tranmere Rovers for the coming season. A broken leg kept Mercer out of soccer last season, but he is joining the Tranmere players in ball practice, springing and gymnastic exercises. He is still confident that he will play again.

Jacqueline Gordon, British golf international, has left for the United States. During her

nine-week visit Miss Gordon will compete in the United States Women's Championships on August 22-27.

Derek Hobson, who helped Chris Chataway break the World Three-Mile record a fortnight ago, will run in the 5,000 Metres at an international meeting in Budapest on August 20-21.

Travelling with him will be four-minute miler Brian Hewson, who will compete in the 1,500 Metres, hurdler Frank Parker and half miler Ron Henderson.

Hungary wanted Chataway and Gordon Pirie, but Chataway will be in Scandinavia with his club, Achilles, and Pirie will be in Canada.

Newmarket's Last Race Should Not Be For Two-Year-Olds

Colonel W. N. Gray has made a number of breaks with tradition since he was appointed clerk of the course at Newmarket just over two years ago. Many of the changes have been for the better, although the advisability of some is open to question.

The 2.30 start has been instituted in the belief that it will enable more people from the surrounding towns; such as Cambridge and Bury St Edmunds, to attend.

Attendances at the First July Meeting did not appear to support this contention—in fact the majority of visitors did not like the idea of postponing their tea by half an hour and reducing the time in which to prepare for evening engagements.

Placing a two-year-old event as the last race of the day may also be a retrograde step.

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URANIUM RUSH POSSIBLE IF NORWAY CHANGES LAW

Oslo, Aug. 14.

Prospecting for uranium may become a popular sport in Norway if the Government changes the present law and allows private concerns to work their own claims and reap the benefits of their finds.

Hitherto uranium prospecting by other than State bodies in the mineral rich mountains of Norway has been discouraged by the fact that only the State can own production rights on uranium deposits.

This has meant that mining concerns have not taken any steps to investigate the possibility of uranium deposits in their own mines. For any discovery of uranium, they argued, would only mean Government interference in the working of the mine.

It was the Atomic Research Institute at Kjeller, together with Norway's semi-official Geological Investigation Institute, which made the first move towards a change in the law.

Royal Decrees

In addition, passed in 1946, to the old Norwegian mining law of 1842, gave the State a complete monopoly in the prospecting and working of deposits of what were described as "nationally important" metals or minerals.

By two later Royal decrees, uranium, thorium, niobium and tantalum were listed as "nationally important". At a joint meeting early this year, the atomic scientists and the geologists agreed that no prospector would be interested in searching for the valuable and much-needed uranium when he was prevented from owning the production rights of what he found. A small change in the law, they said, would permit the finder to reap the benefits of his find, which may have involved him in much hard work and expense.

It was clearly acknowledged, however, that in the case of such important finds as uranium deposits, the State must be given priority to purchase the uranium production. This substance could not be freely offered on the open market.

The Ministry of Industry has now investigated the matter and it is thought likely that the law, they said, would permit the Government should end the virtual state monopoly now existing in the sphere of uranium prospecting.

If the law is changed, it may be expected that many mining companies already engaged on mining the various ores which abound in Norway, will invest in the modern instruments now available for detecting uranium, and search the rocks around their mines for traces of this valuable metal.

Alum-Shale

Uranium is often found in alum-shales, slates in which clay and iron pyrites are found. There are a number of areas in Norway's rocky mountains, and even in the Oslo basin, where alum-shale is abundant and it is thought possible that these hitherto uninvestigated rocks may also contain uranium.

The problem, of course, will be to find out whether the metal is present in sufficient quantity to make working worth while. So far, there has been so little encouragement that only a few places have been properly gone over with the Geiger-Muller counter, the instrument which registers the presence of uranium.

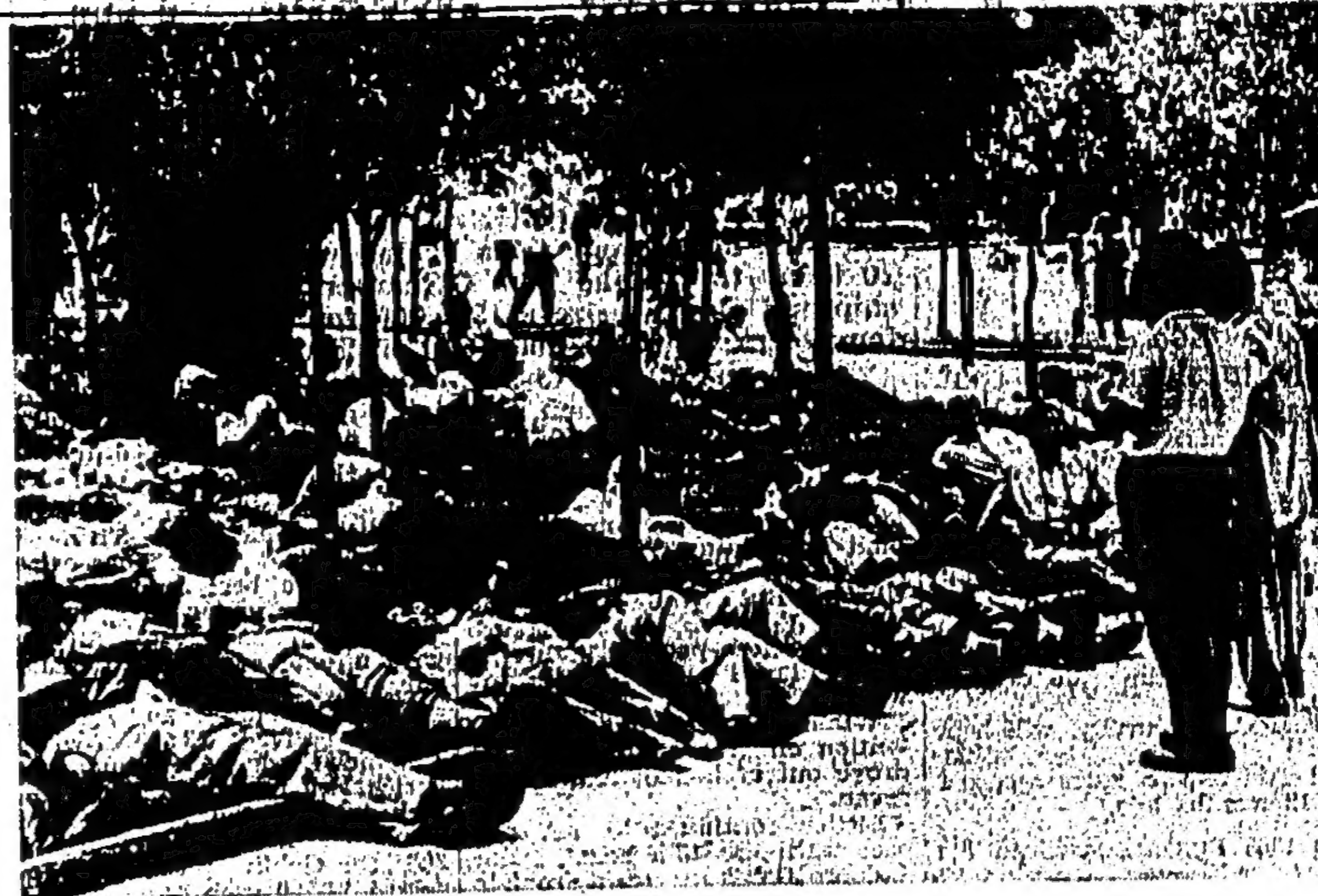
But it is not only the big mining companies which may be expected to undertake large scale uranium investigations if the law is changed. Private prospectors, of whom there have always been a certain number of enthusiasts in Norway, will certainly be anxious to try their luck at a game in which the winnings could be so high.

To this day, there are still hardy prospectors who devote all their energies to gold washing in the rivers of northern Norway. Some of them find a little gold dust and an occa-

Narrow Escape

Wellington, Aug. 14.
Traffic Inspector L. C. McLaughlin was just in time to stop a car, a truck, and a woman wheeling a perambulator from crossing a Donnevike, North Island, railway against warning signals.
While he held them up, a shunting engine passed.
Inquiries showed that people normally crossed against the lights because they were not always switched off when shunting was not going on.
China Mail Special.

War Victims On Strike



RN Squadron Visits Switzerland

Bonn, Aug. 14.
The Royal Navy has paid a visit to landlocked Switzerland.

The unit that sailed to Switzerland was the Rhine Squadron, based at Rheinfelden, near Krefeld. It has a strength of 12 officers and 70 ratings, 18 marine officers and 170 marines.

The squadron, possesses 30 craft, mainly former German naval motorboats and British landing craft, but also a floating dock and a crane capable of lifting 10 tons.

The squadron has operational control over a Belgian river patrol unit based at Cologne.

There is also a United States Navy Rhine Patrol at Schierstein. — China Mail Special.

War invalids recently declared a famine strike in Athens, in protest against the cutting of their salary by the Government. Photo Shows: A group of war invalids lying down in the middle of Constitution Square, Athens where they started their famine strike. On right police officers try to urge them to go home. — Express Photo.

Keep Your City Clean

Paris, Aug. 14.
Edouard Tournet, a Paris city councillor, has urged fellow councillors to arm themselves with brooms and sweep up the capital's streets because some Paris pavements were still littered with rubbish late in the afternoon.

Joseph Zell, Strasbourg's deputy mayor, last month challenged three local sweepers to a race in cleaning the city's market square.
The result was a draw. — China Mail Special.

Tudeh Party Warned

London, Aug. 14.
The Military Governor of Teheran warned Iran's Communist-line Tudeh Party today that his men were well equipped to fight its "treacherous activities".

A Teheran radio broadcast heard here quoted an order of the day signed by Brigadier Bakhtiar, Military Governor of Teheran, in which he said security forces were maintaining "unceasing vigilance" against the Tudeh Party. The Party has been outlawed for some years but still carries on its activities clandestinely.

"The Army authorities are in the best position to fight against these people and frustrate their activities," said the order. "Those who help to propagate the anti-national doctrine of this Party and those who help their leaders to take refuge from the law will be punished too." — United Press.

Scientists Hope To Trap Giant Squid

Wellington, Aug. 14.

The Zoology Department of Victoria University College, Wellington, is hoping to catch alive one of the giant squids which infest Cook Straits. These fearsome creatures have plate-size eyes, bodies 10 feet long and eleven feet in circumference and tentacles up to 25 feet long.

To catch one alive the department considered at first setting an enormous mousetrap—suggested by marine scientists of the Danish ocean research ship Galathea.

Cook Strait, which separates the North and South Islands of New Zealand, has a remarkable record of strandings of these world sea creatures which battle with the mighty sperm whale in the depths.

Ranging from giant squid to luminous fish found nowhere else, they have given the Strait a fascination for marine scientists all over the world.

From Canyon

The majority of the creatures come from New Zealand's unique underwater canyon, connecting the Pallas Bay (near Wellington) end of the Strait with the Pacific.

Brought by uncharted movements from the Pacific's depths into the canyon, they are swirled upwards into the shallow water of the Strait. Here they are sometimes cast ashore.

"From the 1880's, when Mr. T. W. Kirk discovered a sequence of giant squid on its beaches, the peculiar nature of the Strait has been known to scientists," said the professor of zoology at Victoria University College Professor L. R. Richardson.

"But it was not until modern echo soundings were taken a few years ago by the Navy survey ship Lachlan that their source was charted. This 6,000 ft deep canyon is, so far as we know, unique in the southern hemisphere, lying, as it does, to close to shore and observation.

"Kirk found a long Maori tradition of giant marine animals in the Strait," said Professor Richardson. "Then its reputation was put beyond doubt in the 1870's and 1880's when a series of these giant squid was washed ashore. One which was stranded alive in Island Bay, Wellington, in 1880 had a 10 ft long body, was 11 ft in circumference round the middle, and had tentacles 25 ft long."

In 1937 a battered squid or cuttlefish was washed ashore in Wellington Harbour. Its soft rubbery flesh was damaged by heavy seas, or perhaps in battle with whales or sharks.

Mollusc Family

Professor Richardson said that the squid, related to the octopus, were members of the mollusc family. The remnants of their shell were carried inside their elongated body.

"In the centre of their 10 tentacles is their mouth, equipped with a sharp beak, remarkably similar to that of a parrot," he said. "Each of the suckers—their tentacles carry hundreds—has a bony skeleton which projects into the flesh of their prey."

"Sixty-foot sperm whales, and large porpoises, were for years the fears of these huge circular suckers in the flesh of their head and throat. Catching them is not expected to be easy."

Fast-movers, the squids suck water into the hollow mantle surrounding the circular body, and let the water out from a siphon under their heads, propelling themselves backward through the water at high speed, said Professor Richardson.

Conventional

Various types of traps are under consideration. The giant mousetrap has many merits. But the difficulties of working it under water at great pressure—at 1,000 fathoms the ocean exerts a pressure of nearly a ton and a half on every square inch of exposed surface—have kept it in the planning stage.

At present, scientific minds in the department are discussing other methods. One is the conventional basket-type trap. Left baited on the fringes of the canyon, this could be sprung by a watcher above.

"No one knows what we may catch down there," said Professor Richardson. "Sworn statements by experienced mariners indicate there are at least four types of giant ocean creatures still unknown to man. Some people call them sea serpents." — China Mail Special.

CATHOLICS TOLD NOT TO WORK

Buenos Aires, Aug. 14.
Argentine Catholics were officially instructed at Mass today not to work tomorrow, the Feast of the Assumption of the Virgin, although the Government had banned an official holiday.

A statement read in all Argentine Churches said that Catholics were not to work tomorrow. It followed an announcement by the Ministry of Education yesterday that children not attending school tomorrow would be punished by being considered a two-day absentee.

The Catholic Church said that only persons "with serious inconvenience" would be exempted from complying with its instructions. It said unsuccessful attempts were made to have the holiday reinstated as an official holiday. — United Press.

London, Aug. 14.

The borough engineer of the West London district of Chiswick was killed today at his suburban home while, taking a short cut, he was struck by a car. The engineer, Mr. E. R. Shackleton, 48, had rigged up a temporary lamp in the suburb. He is believed to have been electrocuted. — China Mail Special.

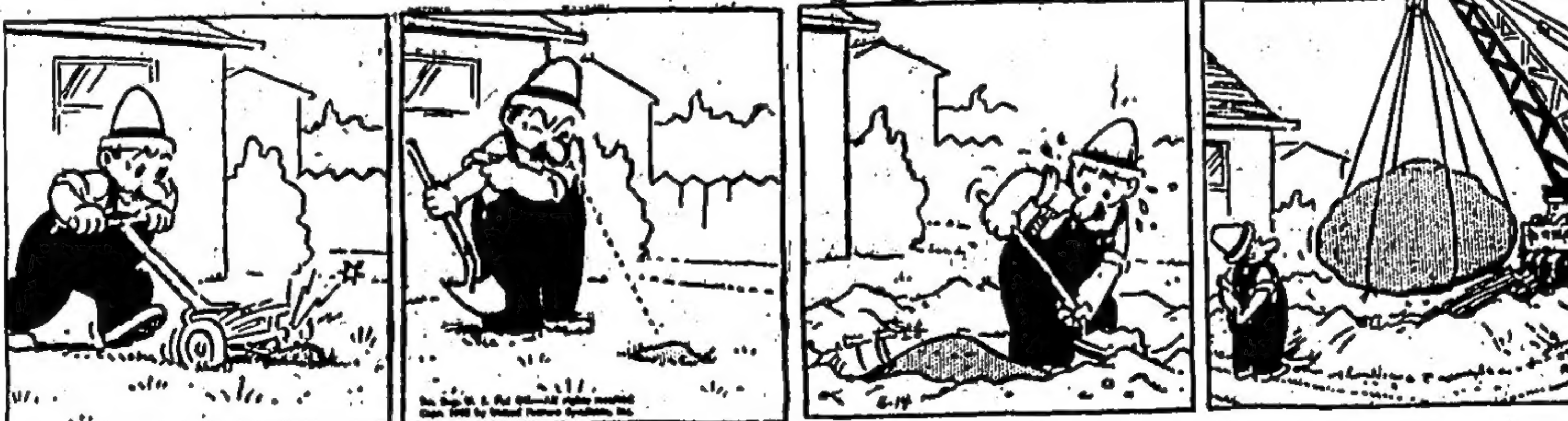
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TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Cure Must Be Found For Britain's Ills

WEEKLY
US TEXTILE
MARKETS

New York, Aug. 11. Domestic producers shipped a total 94,200,000 pounds of rayon and acetate filament yarn staple plus tow during July, down six per cent from the preceding month, according to Textile Organon, statistical bulletin.

However, July shipments, which comprised 74,800,000 pounds of rayon and 19,400,000 pounds of acetate, ran nine per cent ahead of July 1954.

Shipments of high tenacity rayon last month amounted to 35,000,000 pounds, four per cent below June, but 61 per cent above July last year. Producers' stocks at the end of July dipped to 4,300,000 pounds.

Regular plus intermediate tenacity rayon shipments were down 4 per cent from June to 14,500,000 lbs but held about unchanged from a year ago.

July shipments of acetate yarn at 16,400,000 pounds were seven per cent below June and four per cent less than a year ago. Producers' stocks of both regular plus intermediate rayon and acetate yarn were up slightly at the month-end.

Shipments of rayon staple plus tow dropped six per cent from the June level to 24,800,000 pounds, and were eight per cent under July a year ago. Stocks increased to 16,400,000 pounds.

Organon also noted the United States imports of rayon staple for consumption during May set a new record, amounting to 18,447,000 pounds.—United Press.

N.Y. COTTON
MARKET
REVIEW

By William T. Plunkett
New York, Aug. 14. A super giant-sized Government crop estimate put cotton prices into a sharp retreat last week.

Losses ranged up to \$4 a bale with the distant, October and December (1955) deliveries plummeting to seasonal lows.

At Friday's close the list ruled unchanged to 80 points lower, making the second week of sharp declines; a reversal at Liverpool along with a slow-down in textile markets and lack of information of the Government programme for disposal of raw cotton surplus, were other handicaps on the buying side.

Traders thought an announcement was imminent on whether or not the Government would sell cotton overseas at cut-rate prices.

The first crop estimate of the season on Monday proved a surprise as the crop was only seven per cent less than last.

PRICES REACTED

Prices reacted around \$1.50 a bale on the news, although the bullish impact of the figures, traders felt, was cushioned by the Government price support programme. The average price for middling 15/16 inch cotton at the 14 spot markets averaged around 35.50 cents a pound compared with the average loan rate for those markets of 33.75 cents a pound.

Traders felt the figures focused attention on the need for new legislation to deal with the problem of an ever-growing surplus. An upshot of the situation, some felt, might be in a reduction of Government supports next year.

The International Cotton Advisory Committee indicated the "free world" carryover of cotton on August 1, 1955, of about 400,000,000 bales or 1,000,000 bales more than a year earlier and the largest stock since 1946.—United Press.

The Bank Of Franco
Statement

Paris, Aug. 14. The Bank of France statement for the week ended Aug. 5, reads as follows:

Total gold holdings 201,220,122.500
Total foreign currencies 16,220,112.200
Sight balance abroad 200,000,000,000
Advance to stabilization fund 220,000,000,000
Total bills discounted 1,067,000,135.200
Bank notes in circulation 1,067,000,135.200
Current accounts and deposits 181,270,349,500
—United Press.

INFLATION DISEASE
EATING A WAY
COUNTRY'S WEALTH

From Our Economic Correspondent

London, Aug. 14.

If evidence was lacking before that Britain is in the grip of a fresh inflation last week's news provided it in ample measure.

No one regrets the fact that unemployment in Britain is the lowest ever recorded in peacetime. But looked at from a slightly different angle this simply means that there is a shortage of labour. And from there it is one short step to a rising national wage bill.

It is the old, old story of the inflationary spiral—of wages in fruitless pursuit of prices. At home it caused the cost of living index to rise another three notches in June. Abroad it added another one per cent to British export prices.

And still it goes on. In the first six months of this year wages added over £20 million to the national wage bill, nearly twice the rise in the same period last year.

But more is to come. Last week three million shipbuilders decided not only to ask for more pay, but fewer hours and three instead of two weeks with pay. If granted their wage claim, they would cost the shipbuilding and engineering industries about £100 million a year. And some of that extra cost would inevitably be passed on to the consumer—including foreign customers for British goods.

Not Alone

But the engineers are not alone in the wage queue. Woodworkers, railwaymen and miners are giving an ominous ring to Oliver Twist's famous request. To wonder the economist was moved last week to remark that on a long view this may be the worst economic news of the year. But this is only one side of the inflationary situation. When

workers demand more pay they are not merely seeking to compensate for past increases but also to get a larger share of the wide array of tempting foods that the shops have to offer. "When all the world is mad it is folly to be sane" was never more true than in the middle of an inflation.

Unthinkingly, however, they are doing Britain—and themselves—immense harm. Their higher pay has two effects. It adds to production costs, thus pushing up the price of British exports. And it creates a demand for goods. If these are British it deprives the country of exports. If they are foreign it swells the nation's imports bill—a bill which in the circumstances, cannot be met with earnings from exports.

All this of course, is true even if wage demands are conceded without a struggle. But if they are accompanied—as they were recently by a wave of strikes—the situation becomes even more sombre.

The most serious of the strikes was the six weeks stoppage in the dock. This renders futile any attempt to analyse the recent trend of overseas trade. In July—which included only the last three days of the strike—imports rose £44,800,000 over

the June figure to £338,800,000. Exports improved by £86,000,000 to £231,000,000. The gap between imports and exports was thus £107,800,000 compared with £129,000,000 in June.

Distorted

These figures are of course distorted by the dock strike. For example, during the strike all available labour was turned to unloading perishable imports. Moreover, the interval between the actual movement of shipments and the time of recording them is longer in the case of exports than of imports. Some exports therefore, were shipped too late in the month to be included in the July figures, but imports were not affected to the same extent.

But even on the most optimistic view of distortion in the figures directly attributable to the strike the fact remains that Britain is buying from abroad much more than she is able to pay for with her exports.

And this, of course, was the fact that was uppermost in the mind of the Chancellor when he ordered a general tightening up of credit last month. It will be some time, however, before the effect of this will be seen in overseas trade figures; and if it fails to bring imports closer into line with exports, tougher measures can be expected.

Bright Prospects

On the longer view prospects for overseas trade are made brighter by the news that Britain is one of the first in the field of "atomic" exports.

This is less important from the point of view of any benefit it will bring than from the fact that Britain's exports of manufactured goods will decline as other countries learn to make them for themselves. This theory, as last week's news showed, takes no account of technological progress in the more advanced countries.

Opportunities are vast; but bigger prizes in the new industrial revolution will go to the countries that are the most successful in holding down production costs. For Britain this means investing on a large scale in factories capable of producing goods that will be required in the coming atomic age. But before she can do that she must find a cure—once and for all—for the disease of inflation that is eating away the country's wealth.

Burma May
Seek Loan
To Bolster
Economy

Rangoon, Aug. 14. Newspapers here widely report that the Burmese Government will be "virtually compelled" to seek a foreign loan in an effort to overcome the present financial crisis facing the country.

The Government's commitments in its eight-year welfare state plans are reported to have made such a step necessary. The newspapers quoted well-informed circles for their reports.

They said the Burmese Government would seek a loan from "neutral countries" such as Yugoslavia or India. Burma had no desire to embarrass herself with loan from either the Eastern or Western bloc.

Gilt-Edged

In the gilt-edged market, the main feature was the issue of £200 million of new British Electricity 4½ per cent stock. Prices were marked down initially to bring the market into line with the terms of the new issue. But this was immediately followed by sharp recovery as buyers moved in to take advantage of cheaper quotations. Thereafter the market remained quietly steady as a result of the new issue being awaited. But by the time it became known that it had succeeded investors were worrying about the possible implications of Monday's Cabinet meeting, and gilt-edged dipped again taking the new stock with them.

Though the electricity issue was technically successful, it is believed that a substantial part of the stock had to be taken up by Government departments.

South African gold shares were among the early part of the week's losers by Continental buying. But prices slipped back just before week-end. Blue metals which were usually better were changed.

HONGKONG
STOCK
EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$500,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES
BANKS
HK Bank ... 1703 20 @ 1770
Provident ... 1520 10 @ 1750

SHIPPING
Waterboat ... 22.00

DOCKS, ETC.
Dock ... 2500 @ 27
Provident ... 1520 10 @ 1750
Wholesale ... 8.50 8.50 1000 @ 8.50

LAND, ETC.
The Hotel ... 10.00
HK Land ... 70 1/2 100 @ 71.50
200 @ 71
500 @ 71.50
1000 @ 71.50

Humphreys ... 20.70
Really ... 2.22 1/2 230 500 @ 2.25

RUBBER
A. Rubber 2.175 2.22 1/2 1000 @ 2.20
Trust ... 3.40 1000 @ 2.17 1/2

UTILITIES
Tram ... 25
Star Ferry ... 145 147 50 @ 146
C. Light ... 22.00
C. Light (N) ... 17.70 500 @ 17.40
Electric ... 100 @ 42
200 @ 41.50
300 @ 42.25
Telephone ... 32 32 1/2 700 @ 32.50

INDUSTRIALS
Cement ... 33 33 300 @ 22.50
STORES, ETC.
Dairy ... 21.80 250 @ 22.80
200 @ 22.70
100 @ 22.70
1000 @ 22

Watson ... 15.60
L. Crawford 37 1/2

COTTONS
Textile Corp ... 5.00
Nanyang ... 6.70

MISCELLANEOUS
Yangtze ... 6

CULTURED
PEARL
TRADE

New York, Aug. 14.

Sales of cultured pearls will top all previous records in 1955, according to Mr. Joseph Goldstone, President of the Imperial Pearl Syndicate.

In a statement released coincident with the opening Sunday of the American National Retail Association annual convention, Mr. Goldstone said that imports of cultured pearls for the first six months of 1955 exceeded all of 1954.

Mr. Goldstone is also President of the Importers Association of Chicago. He recently returned from a trip to Japan, where he conferred with pearl growers and Government officials.

He said in this statement that there was a great need to maintain higher standards in the quality of cultured pearls for export. The dollar value of cultured pearls could be greatly increased if the standards for quality of the pearls were raised, he said. Japan sold more than 25,000 pounds of pearls abroad in 1954, 54 per cent of them to the U.S. Earnings from this source have climbed steadily in the past five years.—United Press.

The Bank Of England
Statement

London, Aug. 14. The Bank of England statement for the week ended Aug. 10, reads as follows:

Note in circulation 1,024,000,000
Public deposits 20,294,910
Government securities 256,100,441
Other securities 27,450,220
Receipts 43,135,223
Ratio 43,132,970
—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:
U.S. dollar (per \$1) 5.51
Sterling notes (per £1) 15.57
Australian notes (per £1) 12.10
Government securities (per 100) 13.50
Siam (per 100) 23.50
Singapore (Straits) 1.80
Indo-China (Straits) 1.17
—United Press.

Commerce Secretary
Issues Caution

Washington, Aug. 14. Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks cautioned US businessmen today against overconfidence and undue speculation in the face of booming production records.

He told a news conference that the gross national product, the value of all goods and services produced, rose to an annual rate of \$385,000,000,000 in the second quarter of this year.

This is \$2,000,000,000 higher than the rate which President Eisenhower's Council of Economic Advisors estimated only weeks ago. It was \$10,000,000,000 higher than the first quarter rate and \$18,000,000,000 higher than the low second quarter of 1954. The record reached just before the 1954 business slump.

In advising businessmen to "go slow," Mr. Weeks specifically cautioned against speculation in housing and plan expansion. He told them to "keep their feet on the ground and employ simple, commonsense in the operation of their day-to-day affairs."

The Cabinet official said his earnings against over-optimism stemmed from the same impulse that prompted the Government's action in lightening housing credit, raising stock reserve, loans to banks.—United Press.

Ceylon Rubber
Prices

Colombo, Aug. 14. Premier Sir John Kotelawala today directed that negotiations for price revisions of the rubber-for-rice pact between Ceylon and China be carried out with full consideration for the world market.

He said the considerations should look to the future and not be based on the desire for immediate, but unstable profit. The rubber price revision is expected to cover the period from last June to the end of the year, while the rice revision will be for next year.

Ceylon has asked one penny more than the world price for the country's rubber, and it is expected to ask for a smaller quota of rice than the present 270,000 tons contracted for.—United Press.

CHILEAN
COPPER
SALES

Santiago, Aug. 14.

Press and parliamentary circles today criticized the Government for alleged failure to dispose of Chile's copper output in the European market at 40 to 45 cents a pound, compared with the 36 cents per pound received for sales in the United States.

The Ministry of Mines today was reported studying a devalued decree which it was hoped would clarify provisions of the new copper mining law recently placed in effect. The producers have maintained that they had the right of selling the metal; but three days ago they accepted and signed an agreement with the Government, whereby two thirds of their output would be disposed of in Europe, and the remainder in the US. The Chilean Government had expressed the desire that North American buyers pay 40 cents per pound, and until they do so sales will be limited in that market.

Both the Anaconda and Braden companies, principal producers, reported that prior to the new agreement they had maintained more or less the proportion stipulated. It was estimated that US buyers will take 135,000 tons of the 420,000 tons to be produced this year.—United Press.

Analysis Of World
Grain Trade

Washington, Aug. 14.

The Foreign Agriculture Service of the Agriculture Department, in an analysis of world trade grain during 1954-55 (July to June), said today that the United States recovered its position as the greatest exporter of grain and grain products.

In the previous year, Canada had ranked first, due to a large wheat trade.

The FAS estimated that world total grain exports (exclusive of rice) in 1954-55 were 38,282,000 long tons compared with 39,435,000 in 1953-54 and an all-time record of 42,550,000 in 1951-52. The total includes wheat, flour, rye, corn (maize), oats, barley and grain sorghums.

Features of the 1954-55 grain marketing year included:

1. Larger exports of wheat and flour from the United States, Argentina, Australia and France;
2. Gains in relative share of world wheat imports from the non-dollar suppliers such as Argentina and Australia, rather than from dollar countries, as United States and Canada; and
3. Gain by France as a wheat exporter.

"France definitely displaced Australia from fourth position, being exceeded only by the United States, Canada and Argentina," the FAS said.

"While it is too early to make a firm prediction, current indications are that in 1955-56 France may not only again displace Australia for fourth place among the exporters, but might crowd Argentina for the third place."

World corn exports in 1954-55 were tentatively estimated by the Foreign Agriculture Service at 4,808,000 long tons compared with 5,149,000 in 1953-54. Exports from the United States declined while those from Argentina increased.

World exports of barley in 1954-55 were estimated at 5,007,000 long tons compared with 6,345,000 in previous year. Exports from the United States gained substantially, but declined from Canada, Australia, and Argentina, and from Russia and the Danube basin.

World exports of oats in 1954-55 estimated at 1,281,000 long tons compared with 2,187,000 in previous years, the reduction being due chiefly to smaller exports from Canada and Argentina.—United Press.

U.S. RAW COTTON
EXPORTS

New York, Aug. 14.

Raw cotton exports by destination as reported by the New York Cotton Exchange for the 1955-56 season to Aug. 9 were as follows:

Burma	3,054
Continental	19,730
Orient	15,000
Canada	2,554
Total for season	40,338
Same period last year	35,633

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MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 1955.

Death Of Mr Julius Holm

The death occurred this morning at St Paul's Hospital of Mr Julius Holm. He was 49 years of age.

Graduating from St Joseph's College in 1923, the late Mr Holm joined the Union Insurance Society of Canton Ltd. as a junior clerk. He was senior clerk of the firm's Marine Department.

A keen sportsman, the late Mr Holm during his school days, represented the School in football and many other athletic events.

He was an ex-member of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps and a member of the Indian Recreation Club and the Special Police Constabulary. During the Japanese occupation he was interned in Shamshuipo camp.

The late Mr Holm is survived by his wife, Myra, two sons, Francis and Julius, two daughters, Mrs L. F. Young, and Geraldine, nine grandchildren, four boys and five girls. He also leaves behind two brothers in Hongkong, Germano and William, three brothers in America, Charles Henry and Peter, and one sister in Germany, Mrs. Dora Knorr.

The funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. tomorrow and interment will be in the Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley.

Drove Without Consideration For Others

Chang Chou-yin, of 23 Centre Street, was charged before Mr W. N. Thomas, Tam at the Central Magistracy this morning with driving without due consideration for other persons using the road.

Defendant was cautioned and had his licence endorsed.

Chow Sin, tram driver, told the court that on March 3, he was driving a tram on its way from West to East in Causeway Road. His tram was moving slowly as it had just passed a passenger island when a car suddenly came into his view proceeding at an angle towards the tram in an attempt to turn into Tung Lo Wan Road.

He could not see the indicator of the car from his position in the tram, the result was that the left bumper of the tram rammed into the private vehicle and damaged its rear offside.

His Worship told the defendant that he did not have sufficient intelligence to be a good driver and that he needed a few more lessons.

Carrier Comes Into Port

Flying the flag of Rear-Admiral R. E. Hobbs, Commander of Carrier Division 3, the United States aircraft carrier Oriskany entered port this morning on a recreational visit.

Completed at the New York Navy Yard in 1950, the 38,000-ton Oriskany is making her first visit to Hongkong. She is the name ship of her class (improved Essex Class) of 14 ships. Among her sisterships who have called here are the Essex, Hornet, Keats, and Yorktown.

Oriskany has a length of 888 feet, a carrying capacity of about 100 aircraft and a complement of more than 2,000 officers and men. Her commander is Captain C. L. Westhofen.

Famous Raid Commemorated

Hudding, Aug. 14. Canadian ex-soldiers from all over Britain took part in a parade and service here today to commemorate the raid on Dieppe in August 1942.

In that raid, which was in preparation for the invasion of Europe, a force of over 6,000 men, most of them Canadians, were landed on the French coast to test German defences. Almost half of the force were casualties.

Today the Duke of Norfolk, Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk, took the salute at the parade in which representatives of British, French and Belgian ex-service organisations also took part. — China Mail Special.

OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

Week Of Politics: Election Next December?

FROM H. KING WOOD

Sydney, Aug. 10.

It has been a week of politics more than anything else.

Dr Evatt, Leader of the Opposition and Federal Parliamentary Leader, enlivened an otherwise drab Sunday night by holding a meeting in Sydney Town Hall. He attracted an overflow crowd of about 4,000 who lustily cheered and booed in the appointed places.

It is a little difficult to see where this meeting fitted into the scheme of things in the Labour Party war that has been simmering below the surface for months, but it did keep the Doc before the public eye, enlivened an otherwise dull Sunday and certainly got him many columns of space in Monday's papers, although it is a well known fact that Sunday night news staffs are always chasing around for something that will make news.

Then the Prime Minister announced the appointment of an independent committee to go into the matter of MP's salaries, already £2,000 plus for private members.

What with the recent sleep increases in the screws of top public servants, judges &c, it's pounds to peanuts that our members can look for a substantial rise in the near future, which in turn will lead to a few more protest stoppages by miners and so forth.

The NSW Premier, Mr Cahill, not to be outdone, has also appointed a committee to consider the salaries of State members and one way and the other it looks as though the old inflation spiral is going to get a great old kick along.

ELECTION HINTS

There have been more than gentle hints blowing from Canberra that the Federal Parliament will go to the country in December.

If that happens it will mean that Parliament has lived only half its life and Prime Minister Menzies might be pressed to explain why.

His excuse, of course, will be that he is bringing the Senate and Representatives elections back into line again after the doubtful dissolution of some time ago. His real reason, however, would be that he hopes to catch the Labour Party with its pants down.

We are among those who do not think an election likely this year. There is nothing more uncertain in the world than an election and it seems a risky business to sacrifice nearly two years of office to test the whims of the country.

FANTASTIC RABBIT

But the most fantastic rabbit to be produced from the political hat is the announcement from the State Government that it will shortly re-introduce quarterly adjustments in the basic wage.

This means that we can say goodbye to any sort of stability. The basic wage will make an immediate jump of 7s a week for 400,000 workers, a piece will rise to catch up to it wages will rise to catch up to that... and away we will go again.

If we are to go through a repeat performance of 1949-55, the prospect is rather frightening and as far as we can find out, the only people who really want to see members of the State Cabinet.

Finally we have the Federal Treasurer more or less joyfully complaining over the fact that he is losing weight while preparing his Budget.

AIR TRAVEL BOOM

Air travel in Australia is booming. All airlines once again report record passenger and freight traffic for the first six months of the year and practically all of them are placing orders for new aircraft.

It is an open secret that before the end of the year three of America's major airlines will be flying regular services between this country and the States and within 12 months jets should be flying the Pacific. A straw in the wind is the latest move by Butler Air Trans-

port Ltd which up to now has been content to fly services within NSW.

New, however, is seeking permission to increase its nominal capital from £200,000 to £2-million for the purpose of buying the latest aircraft and flying intrastate services at tourist rates.

This company already has two Viscount planes on order and plans to get more.

NURSE'S ADVENTURE
An attractive New Zealand nurse left Sydney last week on a motor cycle which she plans to ride across Australia, then through Ceylon, India and Africa.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"They say my son-in-law is a good salesman, but I wouldn't know—I'll bet he couldn't sell me any steam shovels!"

Decision Reserved In Karel Weiss Case

Judgment in the proceedings against Karel Weiss, proprietor of Messrs Karel Weiss, Room 304, of Central House, summonsed for alleged default in payment of business tax amounting to \$4,081.29 was reserved by Mr Poon Yan-hoi at Central this morning at the conclusion of submissions by both Crown and Defence Counsel.

Date for the delivery of judgment was fixed for August 27, at 12.15 p.m.

The hearing has covered nine months. It was first heard on November 15, last year.

Weiss, who was alleged to have defaulted in payment of the tax for the year of assessment 1951-1952, was represented by Mr Marcus A. da Silva, of Messrs A. da Silva and Co., Mr D. N. E. Rea, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, assisted by J. Hardy.

In reply to Mr Silva's submission at the previous hearing Mr Rea said Mr Silva's case was that the tax certified to be in default by the Commissioner of Inland Revenue Department was not in fact in default.

Throughout the proceedings, he (Mr Rea) had repeatedly submitted that in law this Court, in these proceedings, was not entitled to enquire into Mr Silva's arguments as to facts but only as to law.

"I do not propose to deal with the argument as to facts but I would like to make it clear, as I have made it clear throughout the hearing, that neither the Crown nor the Commissioner agrees with any of the facts as submitted by my friend. Any suggestion of bad faith made by my friend is negatived by your Worship's ruling."

"My friend in his address left the matters to 'the reasoning members of the public' and I am happy to leave the matter there, also stressing the word, 'reasoning.'"

"MISAPPREHENSION"
Mr Rea said the summons was brought under Section 75, Inland Revenue Ordinance. He would respectfully submit that Mr Silva's submissions were based on a misapprehension of the purpose of this part of the Ordinance.

Section 75, in Part 12, he submitted, was one which dealt with "the recovery of tax," and Part 12 of the Ordinance dealt with the appeals. It would seem that Mr Silva had argued this case as if it were now on an appeal, as if these were the proceedings under Part 11 of the Ordinance and not Part 12.

Section 75 dealt with the recovery of tax on the issue of a certificate to a magistrate. Section 78 provided that the Commissioner might proceed for the recovery of tax in default "under any section contained in Part 12 concurrently or consecutively." Thus, had the Commissioner proceeded under Section 74, and authorized a bailiff to seize the property of Mr Weiss, Mr Weiss would not be entitled to argue with the bailiff as to the merits of the assessment.

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Claim For Possession Of Premises

A claim for possession of the ground floor of No 2 Chi Shing Lane and a sum of \$760 in respect of arrears of rent and mesne profits was brought by Chan Yuen-chun, landlord of the premises, before Judge Reynolds in the Victoria District Court this morning.

Defendants were the Malaya Coconut Company who denied the claim.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr Oswald Cheung, instructed by Mr G. H. Golby of Messrs Johnson, Stokes and Master. Appearing for defendants was Mr Lawrence Leong, instructed by the firm of P. L. Lam.

Mr Cheung said that this was a claim for the possession of the premises which were not within the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance on the ground that the tenancy of the premises which was given by plaintiff to the defendants was determined by a notice to quit.

The Defence had put him to prove that the premises were an entirely new building. The Defence also alleged that a sum of \$2,000 was paid to plaintiff for giving defendants a tenancy, Mr Cheung said.

Counsel said that his client denied the allegation of key money. He submitted further that the tenancy was terminated by the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance in the present case.

On the first point, whether the premises were an entirely new building, Counsel said that a written permit of the Building Authority to occupy the same had been granted after August, 1945.

ALTERNATIVE OFFER
Outlining his case, Mr Cheung said that his client was a business man and the letting of his property was left in the hands of his accountant, Chan Chang.

A woman representative of the defendants, a Miss Lee who was in Court, came to see Chan Chang on January 13, 1955, saying she wanted to take over the ground floor of the premises. She was informed that she could do so either by paying construction money, which was \$3,000, or without paying it, said Mr Cheung.

Miss Lee was further informed that in the former case the rent would be \$340 and in the latter \$380 per month. She left and returned on January 18 with a cheque for \$3,000 which was post-dated February 15, 1955. A receipt for the cheque was given, copy of which Counsel handed up to the Court.

Mr Cheung said that at that interview he was agreed between Chan Chang and Miss Lee that the tenancy, for all purposes, would be reckoned to have commenced on January 15.

That same day (January 18) Miss Lee paid over a sum of \$380 to his client in respect of rent from January 15 to February 14. The keys to the premises were then handed to Miss Lee. She was told that if the cheque was met on due date a rent receipt for \$340 would be issued together with a refund of \$40, as if she had paid the construction money on time. If the cheque was not honoured then defendants had not paid the construction money, and rent of \$380 per month would be charged.

EXTENSION OF TIME
Counsel said that Miss Lee called on Chan Chang on February 15 and requested him not to present the cheque for payment as she had insufficient funds to meet it. She asked for an extension of a week, to which Chan Chang agreed.

At the end of the week, Miss Lee called again and said she would not be able to honour the cheque. She asked for a further extension of 10 days. She was also asked for the rent for the second month and she said she would pay it at the same time.

On March 8, Chan Chang presented the cheque for payment and it was dishonoured. The reasons given by the bank, said Mr Cheung, were that there were insufficient funds and that the drawer's signature differed from the specimen in their possession.

Mr Cheung said that it was alleged in the letter containing the original Defence, that defendants paid to plaintiff or his representative a sum of \$2,000 in part payment of the construction fee. Counsel denied the allegation. He said further that subsequently rent was not tendered either in respect of the second or the third month.

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Two Bomb Explosions In Macao

Bomb explosions shattered Macao's quiet night and one of them panicked hundreds of spectators at a swimming meet between Hongkong and Macao teams.

The first explosion blew in the door and windows of a haberdashery shop on Macao's main street.

The second exploded on the terrace of the Macao swimming pool where a large crowd had gathered to watch a meet between teams from Hongkong and Macao. The crowd broke and ran in panic.

There were no casualties. Shortly before midnight, police found a third bomb hidden in the Beta Vista Hotel.

It was at the swimming pool that Choi Tak-kee, vice-chairman of the Macao Chamber of Commerce, survived an assassination attempt on June 19. He and members of his party were wounded when gunmen opened fire on them as they left the Club. The attackers have not been found.—United Press.

Hearing is continuing.

Prison For Snatching \$10

For snatching \$10 from Robert M. Hale and for breach of a bond, Leo Ming-kee 18, of 85 Hennessy Road, was sentenced to six months and fined \$100 or two months respectively by Mr J. E. Durling at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Complainant told the court that on August 14, he was at the booking office of the New York Theatre. When he took out a \$10 note to buy tickets, accused came from behind and snatched it from him. He gave chase, the defendant running into Percival Road and then into Lockhart Road.

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